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December 12, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY,
REGION 4, LANCASTER
AWARD OF SUPPLEMENTAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR
ADDITIONAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR TWO
DRINKING WATER WELLS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40, ANTELOPE
VALLEY:**

1. Find that the proposed Supplemental Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Award and authorize the Director of Public Works or his designee to negotiate and enter into a Supplemental Agreement with CH2M Hill Inc., to provide additional design and construction inspection services for two drinking water wells in Los Angeles County Waterworks District No. 40, Antelope Valley, Region 4, Lancaster, for a not-to-exceed fee of \$221,600.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to allow the District to enter into a Supplemental Agreement with CH2M Hill Inc., for additional design and construction inspection services for two drinking water wells at the District's Lancaster office at 260 East Avenue K-8 and approximately 2,700 feet of collector pipeline to convey the water to an existing disinfection facility at Avenue K-8 and Division Street required due to a change in the location of the wells.

The Supplemental Agreement is needed for CH2M Hill Inc., to prepare the necessary environmental documentation, design the wells for Aquifer Storage and Recovery, the disposal of discharge construction water, and design of the collector pipeline. The environmental documentation will be submitted to your Board for consideration and adoption prior to authorizing the consultant to finalize the design of the wells and collector pipeline. The original scope of work did not include the additional work requested under this Supplemental Agreement.

The two wells for which design and inspection services under the Supplemental Agreement would be performed are needed to meet the high summer water demand of the District's customers and to store surplus treated State Water Project water from the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency during low winter water demand.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Awarding this Supplemental Agreement will meet the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence by allowing us to provide reliable and adequate water supply to the District's customers.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund. The recommended Supplemental Agreement is for an aggregate not-to-exceed fee of \$221,600. Funding for this Supplemental Agreement is available in the District's Fiscal Year 2006-07 Waterworks District No. 40 Accumulative Capital Outlay Fund N64.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

CH2M Hill Inc., was selected in 2003 following the contracting process set forth below pursuant to California Government Code Section 4526, et seq.

Public Works will complete the negotiation of the Supplemental Agreement, including the fee for services, pursuant to Government Code Section 4528.

CH2M Hill, Inc., has demonstrated satisfactory compliance with the County of Los Angeles Code Chapters 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program).

The Supplemental Agreement will be based on the form that was included in the 2003 Request for Proposals, will be reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel, and will contain provisions requiring CH2M Hill Inc., to comply with the Safely Surrendered Baby Law and the standard provisions mandated by your Board.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

An environmental determination or document is not required for the award of the Supplemental Agreement for this scope of work because the work does not constitute a project pursuant to Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act. Any project that may be proposed as a result of these services will undergo the appropriate environmental review and documentation, submitted to your Board for consideration and adoption, for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 4526, et seq., on February 19, 2003, Public Works issued a Request for Proposals to develop a select list of engineering consultants to provide as-needed technical assistance to the District for water systems. The request was sent to 52 firms, advertised on the County's web page, listed on the Office of Small Business website, and placed in several publications. An evaluation committee organized by Public Works used a set of criteria to rate and rank the proposals. The firms selected as the best qualified were Brockmeier Consulting Engineers, Inc., Van Dell and Associates, Inc., Lee and Ro, Inc., CH2M Hill, Inc., and David Evans and Associates, Inc.

On July 29, 2003 (Synopsis 47), your Board authorized the Director of Public Works to enter into Agreement No. PW12706 with CH2M Hill Inc., to provide engineering and related services for water wells, for a not-to-exceed fee of \$392,000. This Supplemental Agreement will increase the not-to-exceed contract amount by \$221,600, from \$392,000 to \$613,600.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended services.

CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter to Public Works, Waterworks and Sewer Maintenance Division.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel